

## **WNYRIC Standards Committee Meeting Minutes**

**May 9, 2012**

**1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m.**

**CA BOCES (Olean DL)**

**Erie 1 BOCES (Ed Campus DL Room)**

**Erie 2 BOCES (LoGuidice)**

**GST BOCES (Dormann)**

**ON BOCES (DL Tech Center)**

### **In Attendance:**

Jill Holbrook (WNYRIC-Chair)  
Dick Lydo (WNYRIC)  
Steve Ludwig (Clarence CSD)  
Mike Taylor (WNYRIC)  
Mike Birmingham (Bath CSD)  
Chuck Marzec (Jamestown)  
Mike Murphy (Forestville CSD)  
Carol Barber (Erie 1 BOCES)  
Ken Samland (Wilson)  
Don Watkins (Franklinville CSD)  
Mat Dziuba (WNYRIC)

Rick Mardino (Erie 1 BOCES)  
Halim Omerhodzic (WNYRIC)  
Bob Spino (E2CC BOCES)  
Terry Caleb (WNYRIC)  
David Brace (WNYRIC)  
Darlene Sprague (Niagara Falls)  
Tom Simpson (Pioneer)  
Ron LaVere (Cheektowaga CSD)  
Vic Ozogar (WNYRIC)  
Joe Reilly (Corning)  
Valerie Winegarden (minutes)

Jill Holbrook called meeting to order at 1:05 p.m.

1. **Approval of the February 8, 2012 meeting minutes**- Jill asked if there were any questions or concerns from the meeting minutes from February 8, 2012. There were none. Steve Ludwig made the motion to accept meeting minutes and it was seconded by Rick Mardino. The motion passed unanimously.
2. **Membership updates**
  - Mike Anderson left ON BOCES in January
  - Steve Ludwig will be leaving Clarence on June 30, 2012
  - Tom Simpson will be leaving Pioneer on June 30, 2012
  - Jill has reached out to regional BOCES Superintendents for suggested replacements
3. **Future meeting dates/locations:**
  - August 8, 2012 (face to face)
    - Bob Spino (Erie 2) has volunteered to host
  - November 14, 2012 (via DL)
  - February 13, 2013 (via DL)
  - May 8, 2013 (via DL)
4. **Category Review Dates for 2011-2012:**
  1. Computers – November 2011
  2. Communications Equipment – August 2011
  3. Internet Browsers – February 2012
  4. NIC Cards – February 2012
  5. Operating Systems – November 2011
  6. Plotters – February 2012
  7. Printers – August 2011
  8. Scanners – May 2012

9. Servers (Standard) – August 2011
  10. Servers (SAN) – August 2011
  11. Software – August 2011 & November 2011
  12. Server Back Up – November 2011
  13. Virtualization – May 2012
  14. VoIP – August 2011
  15. Video Conferencing-May 2012
  16. Network Optimization May 2012
  17. Tablets
5. **Meru status/3<sup>rd</sup> Network Vendor**
    - Gartner has informed us that Meru went public and has lost around 50% of their network engineers. This may be a concern for support down the road?
    - The WNYRIC will be having a R&D session with Tim Zimmerman of Gartner and will be asking for suggestions for additional vendors
    - Ron (Cheektowaga) stated they are currently getting excellent support from Meru
    - Investigation of R&D for wireless BYOD and PARCC will continue and be communicated to Standards at future meetings as a regular agenda item
    - Any ideas on vendor conversations/demos should be shared via the listserv
    - Ron also stated that Chris Siniscalchi is doing excellent work at Cheektowaga
  6. **Wireless Criteria (including wireless cards)**
    - WNYRIC Sr. Network Engineers are recommending minimum requirements of A.G.N. 2.4 & 5.0 gig with 2x mimo for NIC Cards

Don Watkins made a motion to add the comment “Use of “B” not Recommended” to category 4, NIC Cards. The motion was seconded by Bob Spino; and the motion carried unanimously.
  7. **PARCC update**
    - Last week at a meeting with NYSED, Larry Paska confirmed that NYSED hopes to be ready to work with the districts who have volunteered to pilot the PARCC readiness tool later in May.
    - The target for general use by all districts in the fall of 2012. There are several WNYRIC districts involved in the pilot group.
    - Posted in the wiki is information released from the PARCC consortia. You will see the categories of information the readiness tool will gather.
    - After Smarter Balance released specifications last week to all PARCC states, Larry Paska stated that NYSED would review and provide guidance to NY schools.
    - WNYRIC staff will keep you posted on the pilot and any guidance released from NYSED.
  8. **Mobile Device Management update**
    - Four vendors were awarded contracts for MDM through the WNYRIC which were JAMF, Airwatch, Notify and Zenprise. Zenprise decided to drop out.
    - Negotiations continue as the WNYRIC finalizes contracts and pricing.
  9. **Microsoft EES Licensing with VDI and BYOD**
    - Information from Microsoft in regards to BYOD and EES Licensing is posted in the wiki
    - Please share this information with the school districts your regions

10. **Add form for Google Chrome (Steve Ludwig/Clarence)**

- Clarence needs another option (a plan B)
- Chrome is a great alternative and performs well and is supported by Google specifically for flash

Don Watkins made a motion to add Chrome under category 3. Internet Browsers; Dave Stevens seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

12. **WNYRIC Standards Category review:**

8. **Scanners:**

- Remove comments listed for Cannon
- Remove OpScan
- Add comment: Others as required or recommended by specific supported services/applications

Steve Ludwig made a motion to make above changes to category 8. Scanners; Tom Simpson seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

13. **Virtualization:**

- Remove Apple and leave as Parallel as item under Sub-category Desktop Application

Chuck Marzec made a motion to make above change to category 13. Virtualization; Bob Spino seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

15. **Video Conferencing:**

- No changes

16. **Network Optimization:**

- No changes

Darlene Sprague made the motion to keep the above categories as is; Don Watkins seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Comments:

Jill advised the committee that there were some issues with Seneca Data keeping up documentation in OGS website pertaining to part numbers and pricing. This caused extra work for our purchasing team at the RIC. We will continue to evaluate them and if there are any issues or concerns, please communicate them.

Ron LaVere made the motion to adjourn at 2:55 p.m.; Tom Simpson seconded the motion.

Respectfully submitted: Valerie Winegarden